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Testimony of Andrews'
Interviewer, DA's Aim

The district attorney's office began an attempt Thursday to have a Warren Commission attorney who took testimony from Dean A. Andrews Jr. brought to New Orleans for Andrews' perjury trial next week.

Assistant Dist. Atty. James L. Alcock filed a request for attendance at the trial by Wesley J. Liebeler with Criminal District Court Judge Frank J. Shea, who will preside at Andrews' trial.

Andrews testified before Liebeler in New Orleans in 1964 that a man named Clay Bertrand had called him after the assassination of President John F. Kennedy and asked him to defend accused assassin Lee Harvey Oswald.

Andrews testified this year before the Orleans Parish Grand Jury that he could not say whether or not Bertrand and conspiracy defendant Clay L. Shaw are the same person. Andrews was indicted for perjury on that session of testimony, and will be tried on that indictment next week.

Andrews later claimed that the man he knew as Bertrand was French Quarter bar owner Eugene C. Davis, and testified again before the grand jury. The district attorney's office issued a direct bill of information charging him with perjury in the subsequent testimony. Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison has claimed that "Clay Bertrand" was an alias used by Shaw.

Judge Shea signed an order for Liebeler's return to New Orleans and an order for funds to cover Liebeler's travel expenses.

The order is being forwarded to courts in Wyndham County, Vt., where Liebeler resides.

Alcock, in requesting Liebeler's return, said his testimony is necessary to show the materiality and relevance of the grand jury's questioning of Andrews and to show prior inconsistent statements.